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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: BRACKET COUPLING STRUCTURE
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application- 17 pages, including 1 independent claim and 14 claims total.
- 2. Drawings- 17 sheets of drawings containing 23 Figures (Figures 1-10, 11A, 11B, 12-15, 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B and 19).
- 3. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 2 documents attached.
- 4. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$	750.00
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Total Claims	14	-	20	0	x \$18		
Independent Claims	1	-	3	0	x \$84		
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2002-277822, filed September 24, 2002, and 2002-277814, filed September 24, 2002.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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